

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete the original Sequence Listing.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 37, line 1 as follows:

Fig. 14(a) shows the binding sequence of C/EBP β used in C/EBP β reporter plasmid (CEBP-11 = SEQ ID NO: 12; CEBP-12 = SEQ ID NO: 13).

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 37, line 3 as follows:

Fig. 14(b) shows the binding sequence of HSF1 (or HSF2) used in an HSE reporter plasmid (HSE-11 = SEQ ID NO: 14; HSE-12 = SEQ ID NO: 15).

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 37, line 5 as follows:

Fig. 14(c) shows the binding sequence of STAT3 used in a pSTAT3 reporter plasmid (STAT3 forward sequence = SEQ ID NO: 18; STAT3 reverse sequence = SEQ ID NO: 19).

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 37, line 7 as follows:

Fig. 15 shows the sequence of IE promoter (mutant; SEQ ID NO: 17). The capital letter indicates the site into which mutation is introduced.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 37, line 10 as follows:

Fig. 16 shows the sequence of HSI (mutant; SEQ ID NO: 16) region. The capital letter indicates the site into which mutation is introduced.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 55, line 16 as follows:

CEBP-11:5'-CGCGTTGAGCAAGACTTGAGCAAGTACTTGAGCAAGCGTTGAGCAA

GGCTTGAGCAAGC-3' (SEQ ID NO: 12)

CEBP-12:5'-TCGAGCTTGCTCAAGCCTGCTAACGCTTGCTCAAGTACTTGCTCA

AGCTTGCTCAA-3' (SEQ ID NO: 13)

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 56, line 15 as follows:

HSE-11:5'-CGCGTCTAGAACATTCTAGATCTAGAACATTCTAGCTAGAACATTCTA

GAC-3' (SEQ ID NO: 14)

HSE-12:5'-TCGAGTCTAGAACATTCTAGCTAGAACATTCTAGATCTAGAACATTCT

AGA-3' (SEQ ID NO: 15)

Page 71 (Abstract), after the last line, beginning on a new page, please insert the attached substitute Sequence Listing.